

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
4 MOORE ROAD
CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE, NEW JERSEY**

The meeting convened with Director Thornton presiding and the following members answering roll call:

Freeholders Desiderio, Hayes, Gabor, Morey and Thornton (5)

STATEMENT OF DIRECTOR

“This is a notice read pursuant to the requirements of the “Open Public Meetings Act.” At least 48 hours advance notice of this meeting has been provided by posting of the same in writing on the bulletin boards in the County Administration Building, and the County Clerk’s Office and mailing a copy of the notice to the Cape May County Herald and the Atlantic City Press and filing the same with the County Clerk, all being done on Monday, January 5, 2015.”

MOMENT OF SILENCE

FLAG SALUTE

MINUTES – MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF 01/27/15 REGULAR MEETING
FH Desiderio moved/ FH Hayes seconded

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Desiderio	X			
Ms. Gabor	X			
Ms. Hayes	X			
Mr. Morey	X			
Mr. Thornton	X			

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

REPORTS:

- 1) COUNTY ENGINEER: Dale Foster had no report.
- 2) COUNTY COUNSEL: Jim Arsenault has no report.
- 3) COUNTY TREASURER: Francine Springer had no report.

FREEHOLDER REPORTS:

1) FREEHOLDER MOREY: Mr. Morey reported the first Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) test in national airspace in New Jersey took place two weeks ago. The flight was sponsored by New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT). Consultant, David Yoel, of

American Aerospace Advisors was the contractor and provided the aircraft. Cape May County's Emergency Management supported the effort and did a fantastic job providing a command center for individuals to take a break inside from the unrelenting frigid temperatures on the day of the flight he stated.

Planning for the Coast Guard Community Festival is continuing and word has it that the Commandant of the Coast Guard will attend the festivities but that will be confirmed at a later date he announced.

Mr. Morey stated another meeting to be held tomorrow at the airport between NJIT and Delaware River and Bay Authority (DRBA) to talk about their plans for continued development of UAS as related to supporting Emergency Management services. A nice cooperative relationship has been formed there he further stated.

2) FREEHOLDER GABOR: Ms. Gabor reported a number of churches have come to herself and Human Services Director, Pat Devaney offering their services to help with the addiction issue. They are doing fundraisers, and would like to do outreach support. Meetings are being set up to discuss in what ways they can be of assistance she stated.

3) FREEHOLDER HAYES: Ms. Hayes highlighted services being provided by the library system for 2015. They are: Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM Program); Singer sewing machine classes; board game night-monthly; informal jamming sessions- twice monthly. More information is available on the library web-site she stated.

Jean Whalen, Assistant Park/Zoo Director asked Freeholder Hayes to thank the Freeholder Board for enabling her attendance at the Professional Development School through the American Zoological Association (AZA).

The Park/Zoo sponsored a love story contest for Valentine's Day, the brain child of Jean Whalen. The Washington Inn donated a \$75 gift certificate and the winning submittal describing falling in love at the Park/Zoo will be featured in an upcoming news story in the Atlantic City Press, Ms. Hayes explained.

Freeholder Hayes recently attended a display at the Thomas Beesley House on "Immigration & Migration: A Century Together" celebrating black history month. She encouraged everyone to get out and see this fabulous presentation on the history of Woodbine and its' people.

The Cape May County Tourism Department will be exhibiting at the Montreal Outdoor Show in downtown Montreal, Canada from February 19th through the 22nd she reported. This is the 40th year the department has been a vendor in this very popular travel show. Last year more than 40,000 people attended the show over a four day period she reported.

4) FREEHOLDER DESIDERIO: Mr. Desiderio reported the County of Cape May had been recognized as a Gold Level Recipient of the American Heart Association's Fit-Friendly Worksite Recognition program. Human Resources Director, Jeff Lindsay accepted the award on behalf of Joanne Barnard, Wellness Coordinator who was not in attendance.

Last night in Gloucester County at the Southern New Jersey Freeholders Association (SNJFA) Meeting the "Southern Star" Award was presented to Freeholder Director, Gerald Thornton, Mr. Desiderio announced. Freeholder Thornton has worked tirelessly for the residents of Cape May County and it was very important that he was recognized last night by the eight southern New Jersey Freeholders' counties stated Mr. Desiderio.

5) FREEHOLDER THORNTON: Director Thornton commented while at the site of the first launch of the drones in Cape May County he had been very impressed by the following: the technology itself, the clarity of the overall view of the entire terrain and mostly the ability of the drone to stay in the air for up to 15 hours on only one and one-half gallons of gasoline. He credited Will Morey for taking the lead role in helping to bring this technology to the county and state, for what is sure to be a multibillion dollar business.

RESOLUTIONS:

INTRODUCED BY MR. DESIDERIO, SECONDED BY MS. HAYES

- 98-15 Resolution authorizing use of competitive contracting for provision of environmental counsel services.
(This Resolution authorizes competitive contracting for the provision of environmental counsel services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4 *et seq.* and N.J.A.C. 5:34-4 *et seq.*)
- 99-15 Resolution authorizing professional services agreements for veterinarian and animal behavior services for animal shelter and adoption center.
(This Resolution authorizes professional services agreements to provide veterinarian and animal behavior services effective February 11, 2015 through December 31, 2015.)
- 100-15 Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 to County contract 13-100 with Settembrino Architects for Stone Harbor Library in the amount of \$69,000.00.
(This Resolution authorizes Change Order No. 01 for the Stone Harbor Library to Settembrino Architects in the amount of \$69,000.00.)
- 101-15 Resolution authorizing participation in the 2015 South Jersey Power Cooperative electric service bid.
(This Resolution authorizes the County's participation in an energy cooperative bid, with Camden County as Lead Agency, to obtain electric service at the best price possible.)
- 102-15 Resolution authorizing participation in National Joint Powers Alliance and Keystone Purchasing Network national cooperative contracts for various County departments.
(This Resolution authorizes participation in two cooperative pricing systems which helps to reduce cost of purchases for its members through national contracts.)
- 103-15 Resolution authorizing shared service agreements with City of Cape May, Township of Middle, Borough of Wildwood Crest, Township of Lower, City of North Wildwood, Borough of Stone Harbor, City of Ocean City and County of

Cape May for use of Emergency Management equipment.

(This Resolution authorizes Shared Services Agreements with the City of Cape May, Township of Middle, Borough of Wildwood Crest, Township of Lower, City of North Wildwood, Borough of Stone Harbor and City of Ocean City, for use of equipment on an as-needed basis.)

104-15 Resolution transferring funds 2014 Budget.

(This Resolution authorizes the transfer of funds from one department to another department.)

105-15 Resolution approving the Constitutional Officers' Five Year Plan.

(This Resolution approves the Five Year Plan as provided by the County Clerk, the Surrogate and the Sheriff in accordance with N.J.S.A. 22A:2-51.1.)

106-15 Resolution authorizing payment to the Travelers Insurance Company for various claims in the amount of \$78,089.13.

(This Resolution authorizes payment to the Travelers Insurance Company, Property Casualty Department for various claims.)

107-15 Resolution authorizing renewal with Lexington Insurance Company for Commercial Property Coverage in the amount of \$343,602.00.

(This Resolution authorizes renewal of Commercial Property Insurance Policy #025031414 for the term of 01/01/15 through 01/01/16.)

108-15 Resolution authorizing renewal with Travelers Insurance Company for Commercial Package Insurance Policy in the total amount of \$986,519.00.

(This Resolution authorizes renewal of the 2015 Commercial Package Insurance Policy for the term of 01/01/15 through 01/01/16.)

109-15 Resolution accepting grant award from New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety for Stop Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Formula Grant No. 13-VAWA-55 in the amount of \$12,762.00.

(This Resolution authorizes the acceptance of a grant award from the State in the amount of \$12,762.00 (Federal) and \$4,254.00 (Match), total amount of \$17,016.00 for the period of 7/1/14 through 6/30/15).

110-15 Resolution accepting grant award from New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Office of Insurance Fraud Prosecutor for Insurance Fraud Reimbursement Program in the amount of \$90,211.00.

(This Resolution authorizes acceptance of a grant award for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.)

111-15 Resolution authorizing execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Donna Tweed for making death pronouncements within the County of Cape May on an as-needed basis.

(This Resolution authorizes an agreement for the provision of death pronouncement services effective January 5, 2015 through January 4, 2016.)

112-15 Resolution authorizing the Board to hold a meeting excluding the public on

February 10, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible or as practicable. Matters falling within the attorney client privilege and litigation captioned Eric Rowell v. County of Cape May, et al., Docket No. CPM-L-000466-14; and Kurt Stevenson v. Cape May County, Worker's Compensation C.P. #2012-18 and 2012-22864.

(This Resolution authorizes the Board of Chosen Freeholders to conduct a meeting excluding the public at the stated time in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-1, et seq.)

- 113-15 Resolution opposing Atlantic Coast oil and gas drilling adjacent to the State of New Jersey.

(This Resolution expresses the County's opposition to proposals that would permit oil and gas drilling in the Atlantic Ocean adjacent to the State of New Jersey and calls on our legislators to oppose same.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Desiderio	X			
Ms. Gabor	X			
Ms. Hayes	X			
Mr. Morey	X			
Mr. Thornton	X			

INTRODUCED BY MS. GABOR, SECONDED BY MR. MOREY

- 114-15 Resolution authorizing subcontract renewal with Cape Counseling Services, Inc., for outpatient mental health and psychiatric services in the amount of \$246,873.00.

(This Resolution authorizes a subcontract renewal (year 4 of a five year period) with Cape Counseling Services, Inc. from 1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015 to provide an Outpatient Mental Health and Psychiatric Services Program for Cape May County Human Services Department.)

- 115-15 Resolution authorizing subcontract renewal with Cape May County Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Inc., (Cape Assist) for Student Life Skills Program in the amount of \$19,350.00.

(This Resolution authorizes a subcontract renewal (year 4 of a five year period) with Cape May County Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Inc., (CapeAssist) from 1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015 to provide a Student Life Skills Program for Cape May County Human Services Department.)

- 116-15 Resolution authorizing subcontract renewal with Arc of Cape May County Inc., for Respite Services Program for persons with developmental disabilities in the amount of \$40,000.00.

(This Resolution authorizes a subcontract renewal (year 4 of a five year period) with the ARC of Cape May County Inc., from 1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015 to provide a Respite Services Program for Persons with Developmental Disabilities for Cape May County Human Services Department.)

- 117-15 Resolution authorizing subcontract renewal with Jersey Cape Diagnostic, Training and Opportunity Center, Inc., for extended employment opportunities program for Cape May County disabled adults in the amount of \$39,900.00.
(This Resolution authorizes a subcontract renewal (year 4 of a five year period) with Jersey Cape Diagnostic, Training and Opportunity Center Inc., from 1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015 to provide an Extended Employment Opportunities Program for Cape May County disabled adults for Cape May County Human Services Department.)
- 118-15 Resolution authorizing subcontract renewal with South Jersey Legal Services, Inc., for Non-Criminal Civil Case Legal Services in the amount of \$15,000.00.
(This Resolution authorizes a subcontract renewal (year 4 of a five year period) with South Jersey Legal Services Inc., from 1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015 to provide Non-Criminal Civil Case Legal Services for Cape May County Human Services Department.)
- 119-15 Resolution authorizing subcontract renewal with Puerto Rican Action Committee of Southern NJ, Inc., for Hispanic Community Social Service Linkage Program for residents of Cape May County in the amount of \$23,316.00.
(This Resolution authorizes a subcontract renewal (year 4 of a five year period) with Puerto Rican Action Committee of Southern NJ, Inc., from 1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015 to provide a Hispanic Community Social Service Linkage Program for residents of Cape May County for Cape May County Human Services Department.)
- 120-15 Resolution authorizing subcontract renewal with Volunteers In Medicine of Cape May County for Free Volunteer Primary Care Medical Clinic Program in the amount of \$60,000.00.
(This Resolution authorizes a subcontract renewal (year 4 of a five year period) with Volunteers in Medicine of Cape May County from 1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015 to provide Free Volunteer Primary Care Medical Clinic Program for Cape May County Human Services Department.)
- 121-15 Resolution authorizing subcontract renewal with Coalition Against Rape and Abuse Inc., (C.A.R.A) for Domestic Violence Shelter Services in the amount of \$74,335.00.
(This Resolution authorizes a subcontract renewal (year 4 of a five year period) with Coalition Against Rape and Abuse Inc., (C.A.R.A) from 1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015 to provide a Domestic Violence Shelter, Counseling and Education Program for Cape May County Human Services Department.)
- 122-15 Resolution authorizing subcontract renewal with Cape May County Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Inc., (Cape Assist) for Juvenile Delinquency Prevention Program in the amount of \$28,500.00.
(This Resolution authorizes a subcontract renewal, year 4 of a five year period, with Cape May County Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Inc., Cape Assist, from 1/1/2015 through 12/31/2015 to provide a Juvenile Delinquency Prevention Program for Cape May County Human Services Department.)
- 123-15 Resolution authorizing public donor agreement between County of Cape May and Coalition Against Rape and Abuse Inc., (C.A.R.A.) in the amount of \$46,917.00.
(This Resolution authorized an agreement with Coalition Against Rape and Abuse,

Inc., (C.A.R.A.), in the amount of \$46,917.00, said funding acquired through donated resources and in-kind contributions.)

124-15 Resolution designating Cape Counseling Services, Inc., as the intoxicated driver resource center for 2015.

(This Resolution designates Cape Counseling Services, Inc., as provider for the Intoxicated Driver Resource Center (for 2015) for County residents who are convicted of driving under the influence.)

125-15 Resolution granting and amending various Leaves of Absence to County Employees.

(This Resolution authorizes County Employees to be placed on a Leave of Absence in accordance with the County Leave of Absence Policy and the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA).)

126-15 Resolution authorizing application to the Corporation for National and Community Service for the FY15 Retired Senior Volunteer Program in the amount of \$87,991.00.

(This Resolution authorizes application for the FY15 Retired and Senior Volunteer Program; Federal Share \$55,023.00, Local \$32,968.00.)

127-15 Resolution appointing certain County employees to their permanent position in their respective offices (Aging and Disabilities).

(This Resolution is appointing County employees from a New Jersey Civil Service Commission Certification which makes them permanent in their titles.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Desiderio	X			
Ms. Gabor	X			
Ms. Hayes	X			
Mr. Morey	X			
Mr. Thornton	X			

INTRODUCED BY MS. HAYES, SECONDED BY MR. DESIDERIO

129-15 Resolution supplementing the 2015 Salary Resolution and approving appointments and salaries.

(This Resolution authorizes the hiring of new County employees, temporary assignment pay, salary changes or corrections, title changes and promotions of County employees when applicable.)

129-15 Resolution reconfirming Resolution No. 97-15 adopted January 27, 2015.

(This Resolution reconfirms Resolution No. 97-15 creating the Division of Wellness and Safety within the Department of Human Resources and Training.)

130-15 Resolution authorizing agreement(s) with certain vendors for advertising, commercials and promotional media for the year 2015.

(This Resolution enables County departments to use specified resources for promotional marketing without public advertising for bids as permitted by law.)

- 131-15 Resolution authorizing Indemnification Agreement with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Atlantic and Cape May Counties for "Wild Walk for Kids" at the County Park on April 11, 2015.

(This Resolution grants permission for a fundraising walk event to be held at the County Park on April 11, 2015.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Desiderio	X			
Ms. Gabor	X			
Ms. Hayes	X			
Mr. Morey	X			
Mr. Thornton	X			

INTRODUCED BY MR. MOREY, SECONDED BY MS. GABOR

- 132-15 Resolution authorizing execution of a Discharge of Mortgage with Cape Assist, Inc. who received loan disbursements under Small Cities Grant #02-0805-00.

(This Resolution authorizes execution of a Discharge of Mortgage with Cape Assist, Inc. who received loan disbursements under a Small Cities grant regarding the renovation of a Community Resource Center.)

- 133-15 Resolution authorizing execution of Agreement No. 14-DT-BLA-688 for New Jersey Avenue (CR 621) Resurfacing Improvements from Youngs Avenue to 26th Avenue in the City of Wildwood.

(This Resolution establishes the terms for cost reimbursement of federal funds for New Jersey Avenue (County Road No. 621) Resurfacing Improvements to Youngs Avenue to 26th Avenue in the City of Wildwood.)

- 134-15 Resolution authorizing Upper Township Rescue Squad to solicit contributions along Roosevelt Boulevard (CR 623), Township of Upper.

(This Resolution permits ambulance corps volunteers to hold 'coin drops' on various dates throughout the summer to obtain public contributions which help offset operational expenses.)

- 135-15 Resolution permitting Villas Volunteer Fire Company to solicit contributions along Bayshore Road (CR 603), Township of Lower.

(This Resolution permits fire company volunteers to hold 'coin drops' on various dates throughout the summer to obtain public contributions which help offset operational expenses.)

- 136-15 Resolution authorizing an Indemnification Agreement with Somerset Wheelmen to conduct Bicycle Time Trials on Court House-South Dennis Road (CR 657) on April 12, 2015.

(This Resolution grants permission for an organization to conduct USA Cycling sanctioned time trials on a County road.)

- 137-15 Resolution approving contract documents for Re-Bid West Avenue (CR 619) Pavement Marking and Striping Improvements from 34th Street to 55th Street in Ocean City and authorizing Clerk of the Board to advertise for receipt of bids.

(This Resolution approves contract documents and authorizes advertisement.)

- 138-15 Resolution approving contract documents for HVAC Rooftop Unit Replacement for Cape May County Administration Building and authorizing Clerk of the Board to advertise receipt of bids.

(This Resolution approves contract documents and authorizes advertisement.)

- 139-15 Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 4 in the amount of \$170, 352.00 to Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. for Bay Avenue (CR 656) Resurfacing Improvements from 6th Street to 18th Street in Ocean City.

(This Resolution authorizes a change order to adjust quantities to reflect the as-built conditions and for additional items of work to complete the project in a satisfactory manner.)

- 140-15 Resolution closing the contract and accepting the work of McCormick Taylor, Inc. for Traffic Engineering Services for Rio Grande Avenue (CR 661) from George Redding Bridge to Hudson Avenue, in Wildwood.

(This Resolution accepts the work and closes the contract.)

- 141-15 Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$63,497.00 to MJJ Construction, LLC for the New Leopard Exhibit for the Cape May County Zoo.

(This change order adjusts the various pay items in the contract to reflect the as-built quantities.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Desiderio	X			
Ms. Gabor	X			
Ms. Hayes	X			
Mr. Morey	X			
Mr. Thornton	X			

Public Hearing for CAP Bank

Resolution 96-15 to exceed the County Budget Appropriation limits and to establish a Cap Bank for Fiscal Year 2015 N.J.S.A. 40.A-45.15(b).

Clerk of the Board, Elizabeth Bozzelli stated she had proof of the publication for the public hearing.

Director Thornton stated the public hearing is now open, and asked for comments on the CAP Bank. (No public comment.)

Motion to close the Public Hearing.

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X				X	
Ms. Gabor	X					

Ms. Hayes	X					X
Mr. Morey	X					
Mr. Thornton	X					

Clerk of the Board read Res. No. 96-15 by title.

Motion to establish the CAP for Fiscal Year 2015.

Freeholders	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Motion	Second
Mr. Desiderio	X					
Ms. Gabor	X				X	
Ms. Hayes	X					
Mr. Morey	X					X
Mr. Thornton	X					

MOTION TO PAY BILLS: FH Desiderio moved/FH Hayes seconded

General Fund	3,114,818.45
Grant Fund	157,506.44
Tax Appeal Trust	125.74
County Clerk Trust	1,409.85
Motor Vehicle Trust	4,399.21
Health Trust	100.00
CMC Zoo Trust	21,482.25
State Unemployment Ins.	60,726.96
Workers Compensation	40,003.50
Open Space Dedicated Fund	106,355.47
Self Insurance Trust	1,517,273.95
CMC Fuel Resale	57,220.04
Prosecutors Clearing Acct	5,243.00
Prosecutors Forfeited Fund	2,000.00
CMC Spay/Neuter Program	3,228.18
Animal Shelter Donations	369.30
Capital Improvements	490,770.51

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Denise Venturini of Lower Township commented as she had at a previous meeting on the increasing numbers of homeless individuals and families in the county. She presented a draft document to the Board in an attempt to assist Freeholder Gabor in her effort to collaborate services for the homeless population she stated.

Tom Marchetti of Stone Harbor reported doing a study of nine people who receive benefits from Social Services. He claimed fraudulent use of the voucher system by these people who receive a voucher for housing but also work under the table for cash and sell illegal substances to supplement their income. The system is severely broken and he again recommended a task force to weed out the ones abusing the system, so those really in need can be helped.

In an effort to put a face to the homeless population the Board heard firsthand accounts from Mr. William Compton who was almost homeless at one time but was helped by DCH Inc. and Morey's Piers before it happened, and Mr. John Fox, a seasonal unemployed worker having trouble obtaining his unemployment benefits.

Betty Redman, of Wildwood, Director of Wildwood Learning Recovery Center and Lisa Brocco-Collia, of Cape May County discussed their efforts to address the needs of the community since Super Storm Sandy. Their organization hopes to gain access to additional housing vouchers and increased services to help more individuals and families.

ADJOURN: 8:04 P.M. FH Desiderio moved/FH Hayes seconded.

APPROVED

DIRECTOR

ATTEST:

CLERK OF THE BOARD